

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 3712 - SB 3714**

March 1, 2010

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes a restaurant to post signs at public entrances allowing individuals licensed to carry a handgun to carry the firearm into a restaurant provided the individual does not consume beer, wine, or other alcoholic beverages. States the owner, operator, and employees of a restaurant that posts such a sign shall not be liable for a gun-related injury cause by the permit holder within the restaurant.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase Local Revenue – Not Significant  
Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant**

Assumptions:

- A restaurant is defined as an establishment that serves at least one meal a day five days a week except for holidays and vacations. Currently possession of a firearm in such establishments is punishable as a Class A misdemeanor. Current law authorizes any person with a valid handgun carry permit to carry a firearm into a restaurant that serves alcoholic beverages provided such person is not consuming alcoholic beverages.
- Adding an exception that would only apply in restaurants in which there is posted, within plain sight of the restaurant's public doors, such a sign will have a not significant fiscal impact on expenditures.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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